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TRUST COMPANIES.

Amalgamation Urged.

The Finance Department which follows a severe policy in authorizing companies to engage in investing money in trust, emphasizes the need of the merger of companies in this line. In Osaka negotiations have been practically completed for the amalgamation of two, while similar plans are afoot among firms in Kobe.

At present, 33 companies are in operation in this field, capitaliz-

about 20 had been organised before the Trust Company Law came into force last year, and these carry 60 to 70 per cent. of total deposits in trust. The terms offered by trust compare favourably with returns obtainable from deposits in banks, which a short while ago succeeded in getting the

minimum period for trust from one to two years. But there is little indication of deposits being drawn off from the banks in that direction. At the end of November 1924, money in trust with these companies totalled little more than Y134,000,000.

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鷄	lb.	70	30	31
綠	"	45	28	30
肥	"	55	28	30
綠	"	35	22	21
班	each	38	22	21
鷄	per oz.	40	18	—
新	"	55	25	20
鮮	lb.	—	36	24
地	—	—	28	—
南	—	—	—	—
海	—	—	—	—
口	—	—	—	—
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白胡椒	each	40	24	24
口雞翅	lb.	—	30	—
鷄胸公雞	each	—	23	—
火沙山雞	each	—	51	45
沙山雞	"	—	—	—
鷄翅	"	—	—	2
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杏仁	lb.	55	35	—
山芋菓	"	24	24	—
香蕉	"	10	4	—
椰子	"	14	12	—
檳榔	each	14	10	10
椰子	lb.	—	7	—

荔枝干	lb.	22	25	30
(新會) 甜提	"	"	"	10
沙	"	48	"	15
梨生柿	"	12	"	"
花紅大	"	14	10	12
暹	"	15	3	4
提	each	5	12	6
番	lb.	22	"	15
香	"	30	"	"

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荔枝	each	—	—	8
竹葉	lb.	5	—	7
牙直	30	8	8	—
瓜	each	4	8	8
瓜	"	10	5	9
瓜	"	11	5	—

菜	"	8	6	12
菜	"	30	12	—
大花	each	—	—	9
中花	"	—	—	—
細花	"	—	—	—
金	lb.	8	6	6

干椒	25	25	5
干椒	25	10	12
干椒	28	8	18
干椒	10	10	10
瓜	each 8	2	—
蛋	lb. 7	8	—
壳	6	7	—
壳	6	10	—
壳	28	45	—
壳	each 8	2	—

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S.S. "NIPPON" ... Sails 16th Oct.
S.S. "PERSEA" ... Sails 19th Oct.
M.S. "VIMINALE" ... Sails 22nd Oct.

HOMEWARD FOR BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE.

S.S. "DUCHESSA D'OSTIA" ... Sails 25th Sept.
S.S. "ROSANDRA" ... Sails 28th Oct.
S.S. "NIPPON" ... Sails 31st Oct.
M.S. "VIMINALE" ... Sails 3rd Nov.

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUMMIT TO ALTERNATION.

OSDUN, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP. Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
ALASKA MARU. ... Tuesday, 23rd October.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTO SPIRITO, ALICIA. Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
HAWAII MARU. ... Saturday, 10th October.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo. ... Friday, 15th September.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon. ... Tuesday, 13th October.

SEATTLE MARU. ... Sunday, 26th October.

SEATTLE TACOMA & VANCOUVER. Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.

NEW YORK. Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

HAIKONG. Via Hongkong and FAKHOL. ... Thursday, 1st October.

TAKIWA MARU. ... Friday, 2nd October at 10 a.m.

AMAKUSA MARU. ... Friday, 16th October at 10 a.m.

JAPAN PORTS. ... Thursday, 21st September.

SEATTLE MARU. ... Monday, 25th September.

HOZAN MARU. ... Sunday, 27th Sept., at 3 p.m.

AMAKUSA MARU. ... Thursday, 1st Oct., at Noon.

TAKIWA MARU. ... Thursday, 21st Sept., at 8 a.m.

SOURA MARU. ... Friday, 26th September.

GIZAN MARU. ... End of Sept.

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HOSTILE CONSPIRACY

"TRUTH" AND SOVIET INFLUENCE IN CHINA.

THE DOSSER TRIAL.

In the face of a case like this no reasonable being can doubt that what is going on in China owes a great deal to instigation from Moscow, states "Truth," commenting on the Dossier trial in Shanghai. It is not likely that the individual arrested at Shanghai is the only Dossier engaged on similar work. The money expended on this case—\$10,000 to bribe the policeman and \$10,000 to bail out Fortunoff, making in all about \$20,000—was a Soviet Government money. Fortunoff being undoubtedly a Soviet official. Moscow is providing money as well as agents and propaganda, and providing it freely. What is revealed in the Shanghai proceedings is a further foreign conspiracy, which looks foolish enough when exposed by police proceedings, but can do unlimited mischief as long as it works underground. Surely it is a fair inference that to this source is due the special anti-British character of the present movement.

Anti-foreign outbreaks are no novelty in China, and half-a-dozen causes are at work in producing the chaos that now reigns in the seaboard provinces. But for the best part of sixty years Chinese and British have been living together in amity in all these provinces; a certain amount of mutual confidence and respect has grown up, and the Chinese who have been in contact with us have come to appreciate that we are useful and profitable to them and have no unfriendly designs against them or their country. That the British should be singled out for violent hostility before all other foreigners is in itself evidence that Chinese minds have been artificially poisoned against us, and the appearance of the same state of mind in Hongkong as well as Peking indicates a widely working hostile organisation. On the other hand, for defensive purposes we are now tied to the other Powers who are parties to the last international agreement, and who appear incapable of acting together with any effect. We are the principal sufferers materially as well as morally, and at the same time we can do nothing to help ourselves. The position seems to call for very strong remonstrances from our Government to its partners, or allies, or whatever they are to be called; but the strongest remonstrances of all seem to be due to the Soviet Government of Moscow, which engages in this hostile conspiracy in the East while professing its desire for amicable understanding and commercial intercourse in the West.

An old shoemaker in Glasgow was sitting by the bedside of his wife, who was dying. She took him by the hand and said, "Weel, John, we're goin' to part. I've been a gude wife to you, John." "Oh, just middlin', Jenny, just middlin'," said John, not disposed to commit himself. "John," said she, "ye maun promise to bury me in the auld kirkyaird o' Str'aven, beside ma mither. I couldna' rest in peace in the dirt and smoke o' Glasgow." "Weel, weel, Jenny, ma wumman," said John, soothingly, "we'll just try ye in Glasgow first, an' gin ye dinna lie quiet, we'll try you in Str'aven."

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

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"NAGPORE"	5,283	22nd Sept.	Saigon, Singapore and Bombay
"KAMALIA"	9,138	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	8,689	14th Oct.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"MALWA"	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	8,812	28th Oct.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"RHIVA"	9,136	31st Oct.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,942	14th Nov.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	28th Nov.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KASHMIR"	8,885	10th Dec.	Marseilles and London
"MOREA"	10,911	18th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,006	26th Dec.	1925
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	9th Jan.	Marseilles and London
"KHYBER"	9,114	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,697	4th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"MALWA"	10,941	6th Feb.	Marseilles & London
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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

"TILAWA"	10,008	20th Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALAMBA"	8,019	9th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,000	20th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ARAFURA"	8,000	6th Oct.	Manila, Iloilo, Sandakan, Thursday
"ST. ALBANS"	4,503	4th Nov.	Iland, Townsville, Brisbane
"PANDA"	8,000	2nd Dec.	Sydney and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	2nd Dec.	do.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"TALMA"	10,000	28th Sept.	Kobe
"RHIVA"	9,136	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SICILIA"	8,812	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,503	10th Oct.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"GARIBOLDI"	5,387	18th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,908	17th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,144	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	8,688	7th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOBIA"	13,911	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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"MOREA"	10,911	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.

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Sept. 25.-J.C.J.L. Eginno	FROM SINGAPORE.
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LAVISH MAHARAJAH.

OPULENCE OF INDIAN POTENTATE.

Even the West End, used as it is to the wanton display of wealth, has been set talking by the Oriental magnificence of the Maharajah of Patiala, who is on a visit to London, and with his entourage, occupies two whole floors of the Savoy Hotel.

The Maharajah has an annual revenue of £640,000, and owns twenty Rolls-Royce cars—the largest fleet in the world. One of these cars has a silver body, and is the envy of American millionaires.

He has priceless gems, wears jewelled turbans, and has a suite of seventy persons, including five private secretaries. An epicure of epicures, the Maharajah sent telegrams all over Europe for a supply of quail for his table.

One busy day was punctuated by several returns to the Savoy Hotel, where he effected changes in dress for very succeeding engagement. During the day he wore at least six different turbans of brilliant hues.

Luncheon with the King. After dressing for luncheon with the King, he left the hotel wearing a dark overcoat which half concealed a brilliant Sikh uniform. A lilac-coloured turban offset the famous pearl and diamond ear-rings.

Before going to Wembley he changed into a dark suit and another turban. In the Indian building, in the section dealing with his own province, rugs were thrown at his feet which the ordinary visitor would not be permitted to touch.

Delicately he handled them, his face expressing the pleasure that he felt at their touch to people who could not understand his words.

Th first grouse to be received in London from the Yorkshire moors were for the Maharajah's use. They were brought specially by aeroplane.

Epicures, who sampled the first grouse of the season, declared them to be the best flavoured birds they had tasted for many years.

TO "TREAD WARILY"

BUSINESS MEN IN FOR LONG WAIT.

BRITAIN AND CHINA.

WELL-INFORMED CORRESPONDENT'S OPINION.

That falling action on the part of the Chinese themselves to restore conditions under which trade will be possible, business men in China have little to hope in the matter of an early settlement from the policy of the British Government, is to be read between the lines of an article by the always well informed political correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian Weekly," in the August 26 issue. It would be optimistic to predict that much less than a twelve month will have to elapse before a final settlement could be reached on the lines of the elaborate machinery he outlines as that which in the considered opinion of the Government is necessary for the problem to be dealt with satisfactorily.

He writes as follows:—
The Canton Government's embargo on shipping and the rest of the troubles in China, in the absence of any central Government whose writ runs through China, is a very serious problem for the Foreign Secretary and the Foreign Office.

The Canton Government is the Government of the National People's party, a more or less "Red" party, but especially the heir of the late Sun Yat-sen's policy. The British Government is engaged at present in examining the treaties which regulate our relations with China and with Chinese ports. It is their opinion at present that the action of the Canton Government is a branch of these treaties, which provide for the complete freedom for British traders, a freedom which is obviously violated by the regulations now issued by the Canton Government.

The whole of the troubles in China are part of one problem, which is, in effect, the break-up of the central control of the Chinese Empire as directed from Peking. The British Government has not been inactive, but in view of the internal situation in China and the international situation outside China it must tread very warily. So far, its line of approach to the problem is as follows:—

THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS.

First, with regard to Shanghai we are about to hold a public judicial inquiry into the riots. This is not an attempt to whitewash anybody, but is designed to bring all the facts out and ensure that justice shall be done. We have tried to get the Chinese Government to appoint representatives, but, much to our regret, the Chinese Government has refused.

Secondly, negotiations have been begun between the diplomatic bodies at Peking and the Chinese Government on subjects connected with Shanghai though not in connection with the actual riots. One of the subjects so discussed is the representation of the Chinese on the Municipal Council of Shanghai. At present the rate-payers elect the Council, which in practice means the Europeans. The Council consists of Europeans, Americans, and Japanese, and its present chairman is an American.

Thirdly, the British Government seeks to arrange a collective answer by all the Powers to the various Chinese Notes that have been presented, and particularly to the Note of July 24, in which the Chinese complained of the unfairness of the various treaties. Our wish is that this Note should be a declaration of policy by all the Powers. The first thing is to carry out the conclusions of the Washington Conference, and the first step is the Tariff Conference, which is now very soon to be held. At the same time there follows the setting up of a commission to inquire into the whole subject of extraterritoriality.

The collective answer of the Powers to the Chinese Note is still under consideration. It will be a slow business, because a complete consultation involves sixteen Powers with a right to be consulted. The British Government lays the great stress upon this collective action, and has the greatest interest in any action being collective, because there is a threat in China, largely due to Russian influence, to isolate Great Britain and represent her as the villain of the piece.

HELPS CHILDREN OVER HOT WEATHER.

Summer complaints, like those which children who are over-heated, are common in the tropics. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People is a most effective remedy for these complaints. It is a most effective remedy for these complaints. It is a most effective remedy for these complaints.

CHURCH IN CHINA.

METHODIST ACTIVITY IN YUNNAN.

NEW BUILDING OPENED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Yunnanfu, Sept. 8.

On Friday, September 4, in glorious weather, the new Methodist Church building was opened in the presence of a large gathering.

The new building, which accommodates about 300 people, is about 100 feet by 40 feet, and is constructed on principles new to this city.

There are no pillars, the structure of the roof being of steel on the cantilever principle, the material for which was shipped out from England. These slender rods stretching across and upwards look very spidery, but the strength is there, and more than sufficient.

Representatives of all the Churches were seated on the rostrum, and each spoke a few words of encouragement and hope for the future of the church in Yunnanfu.

The Rev. A. Evans, who superintended the entire work from beginning to end, is in charge of the work of the Methodist Church in Yunnanfu, and great credit is due to him for the splendid building resulting from his efforts.

The building was well-filled at this opening ceremony, and all the foreign missionaries were present.

At each side of the Church are several class-rooms shut off by folding doors from the main building, but which may be used for accommodating another 200 people if necessary. The acoustics of the building leave nothing to be desired.

After the opening ceremony, the visiting members—both Chinese and foreign—sat down to a Chinese feast in an adjoining building, and all thoroughly enjoyed it.

A collection towards the expenses of the new church was taken up during the proceedings, and \$127.00 was realised.

Whatever else the church stands for, it certainly stands for Faith, as it is hoped to be filled with church members in the future.

On the Sunday following the opening, the building was taxed to its utmost capacity by the numbers present, and as there was a good deal of coming and going, it is probable that almost 1,000 people were present at some time or other on Sunday only.

At such a time as this, it seems a bold thing to build a new church in any part of China, but only the future can show the justification for it.

COAL THEFT.

LAUNCH MEN IN TROUBLE.

IMPORTANT KOWLOON CASE.

Fraudulent conversion of five tons of coal entrusted to their care, with the alternative charge of larceny of the coal, was preferred against three men from the Blue Funnel launch "Poseidon" at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Two other members of Messrs. A. S. Watson's launch "Tai Yuk Fong" were charged with receiving the coal knowing the same to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Mr. D. McCallum, appearing for the three Blue Funnel launch men, objected to two charges being preferred against his clients in alternative forms, but this was not upheld.

Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Reimedes defended the alleged receivers.

Mr. T. G. Bennett, who prosecuted on behalf of the complainants, the Ocean Steamship Company, asked for a committal to the Sessions.

The story for the prosecution was that the transfer of coal was noticed to be going on from the "Poseidon" to the "Tai Yuk Fong." The superintendent of Holt's wharf was informed and on an inspection being made it was discovered that about five tons of coal had been transferred from the Blue Funnel launch. The boatwain was paid \$360 per month to purchase coal and pay the wages of the crew of the "Tai Yuk Fong," while the requirements of the "Poseidon" were attended to by the Company.

After evidence had been called the case was adjourned till this afternoon.

MOROCCO FIGHTING.

FURTHER OFFENSIVE IMMINENT.

FRENCH STRATEGY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 21.

The "Echo de Paris" war correspondent at Morocco states that 80 battalions are shortly to participate in a big new French offensive on the Kifane sector, north of Taza, the success of which will result in the submission of some wavering tribes and will considerably reduce the enemy zone, separating Kifane from the Spanish post at Azibdemid in the Melilla sector.

A communiqué from Madrid reports the enemy's gunfire on the Alhucemas sector has intensified, but everything is quiet on the Cauts and Tetuan sector.

NEW PLAN SUCCESSFUL.

The new plan of reprovisioning has successfully been tested, dispensing with mules and substituting carts drawn by tanks and conveyed by infantry, while the tanks are protected by artillery barrage.

Paris newspapers learn from Madrid that a Spanish offensive is imminent, the object being to capture Abd el Krim's headquarters at Ajdir. General Primo de Rivera is reported to have placed cavalry detachments at the disposal of Marshal Petain.

TO CONFER.

General Primo de Rivera has arrived at Alhucemas to confer with General Sanjurjo with regard to forthcoming operations.

PARIS CUT OFF.

STRIKE OF TELEGRAPH OPERATORS.

"A LAST WARNING."

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 21.

A strike of telegraph and telephone operators cut off Paris from the outside world for two hours this morning.

The strikers demand the immediate payment of a bonus and an increase in salaries, which Parliament has approved in principle.

TWO HOURS ONLY.

The strike was organised for only two hours as "a last warning to the authorities."

There was no demonstration, but the strikers remained in the Central Telegraph office and listened to speeches of leaders.

A delegation waited on the Minister of Posts to protest against the alleged discrimination in the matter of wages against them.

PLEASANT SURPRISE.

GERMAN TEXTILE EMBARGO RAISED.

LANCASHIRE PLEASED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 21.

Lancashire textile concerns are pleasantly surprised at the announcement of the news of the removal of all restrictions on the import of textiles to Germany.

The Manchester Chamber of Commerce last year complained to the then Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, of the German import licence system which practically excluded British textiles, and urged a modification in the Anglo-German Trade Treaty, then being negotiated.

Germany promised consideration of the complaint and has now ratified a clause of the treaty completely raising the embargo.

LESS TEA.

DECISION OF INDIAN COMPANIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, Sept. 21.

It is reported "starling" tea companies through the India Tea Association in London have decided to restrict the output of tea from North India to the figure for 1924.

The Indian Tea Association of Calcutta is also said to have decided to adopt a similar restriction of "rupee" companies.

A taxicab driver has reported to the Police that a motor cycle came from behind as he was driving in the city.

ART FAIR.

AMERICA WANTS LEVER HULME'S TREASURES.

TEMPTING OFFER.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, September 21.

Art collectors are surprised at the announcement of the cancellation of the forthcoming sale of art contained in the late Lord Leverhulme's house at Hampstead.

The auctioneers state that an offer has been received from the Anderson Galleries, New York, which it is impossible for them to refuse, though the executors have the right to reserve any of the contents which it may be desired to purchase on behalf of the nation. The Anderson Galleries will hold a sale on behalf of the executors in New York next year.

SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

LINER SAILS FROM CAPE TOWN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cape Town, September 21.

The "Arundel Castle" sailed for England with 130 passengers, carrying 120 firemen and trimmers recruited locally, many of them Dutch-speaking South Africans.

PARALLEL CABLES.
London, September 21.

Mr. F. C. Allen, chairman of the Shipping Federation, in a long statement declares that "the so-called seamen's strike is really a reconnaissance in force in connection with the general communist offensive by direct action against the existing order of society." He emphasises that no protest against the agreement for the wages reduction of July 3, was made until August 12 and asserts that the leaders of the agitation are nearly all avowed communists and very few are seamen. Their principal weapon is terrorism. He exhorts the Governments of Britain and the Dominions to take measures to enable the men to carry out their lawful avocations under agreed conditions.

BOARD OF ENQUIRY ASKED FOR.

Cape Town, September 21.

It is understood that the Cabinet has decided to suggest to the Imperial Government to appoint a board of enquiry in England to investigate the functioning of the maritime board and other matters connected with the seamen's strike, as it had reason to believe in the suggestion finding favour with both sides, and it adopted would probably result in calling off the strike. Mr. Herzog informed Mr. Cresswell that he is willing to receive a deputation of the strikers.

AIR POLICY.

RESULT OF "SHENANDOAH" DISASTER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Sept. 21.

The special board appointed by President Coolidge to consider the general question of the Nations air policy following on Colonel Mitchell's allegations against the War and Navy Departments' connection with the "Shenandoah" disaster, began work to-day when the Acting Secretary for War, Mr. Davis, gave evidence of the condition of aviation in the army.

LEAGUE RESUMES.

HEALTH ORGANISATION'S WORK.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, September 21.

The Assembly of the League of Nations resumed its plenary sittings and adopted a number of reports of committees, with resolutions including one expressing satisfaction with the work of the League's Health Organisation.

125,000 IDLE.

BOMBAY COTTON STRIKE SPREADS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bombay, Sept. 21.

One hundred and twenty-five thousand cotton operatives are now idle.

JAPANESE FLIERS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 21.

The Japanese airmen Kawachi and Abe depart for Strasbourg on Wednesday.

OBITUARY.

SOCOXY CHAIRMAN DEAD.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Sept. 21.

Mr. Alfred Bedford, Chairman of the Standard Oil Company of New York has died at New Jersey.

Chairman of the parent body before the dissolution some ten or fifteen years ago and chairman at the present day of the Board of Directors of the largest of the Standard Oil branches, Mr. A. Bedford was one of the best known business men of America of the day.

During the war he did valuable work in the cause of the Allies with regard to the maintenance of oil supplies.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

No. 2 cottage has changed hands, having been sold to a former old resident, who is making improvements to the property, in the shape of additional servants quarters and a verandah.

This transaction is the 34th or 35th sale that has taken place since the settlement was started, making about 70 different owners. Some of these held their property only for a short period. Ten of the original 30 houses are still held by their builders.

The work at the Police Station seems to have taken a fresh start and the wall work soon finished. The method which was to have been erected near No. 20 was not put up owing to some new regulations by the P.W.D., all the houses are full and there is still a demand.

The 17th of this month seems to have been a popular day for birthdays, five of the residents (perhaps more) celebrated, and birthday parties were the order, in the evening. A few hours later Mr. Stork gave a surprise party in No. 6, in the early hours of the morning a new Ray came to brighten the household; the little lady and her mother are getting on nicely, later on we had the news that a young gentleman had put in an appearance in the family of one of the Alliance Missionaries, making the third recent addition to that Mission congratulations to all.

Welcome showers have just fallen, to freshen up the gardens which were getting very dry.

SEVEN YEARS.

HEAVY SENTENCE ON PAWN-SHOP ROBBERS.

An important factor in the evidence against three prisoners charged at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon with taking part in a pawnshop robbery was that they had offered some of the stolen jewellery in exchange for opium. Other missing articles were found in the house raided by Inspector F. W. Shaftain and Chinese constables and it was here that the prisoners were found. The total value of the jewellery taken from the pawnshop was \$4,900.

The prisoners were identified by witnesses at the Sessions yesterday who were in the pawnshop when the robbers made their entry and who had been put into a small room, gagged and bound.

At the resumed sitting this morning two of the prisoners were found guilty by the jury and sentenced to seven years' imprisonment, whilst the third was discharged as a result of an alibi.

SHIPPING DEAL.

4 INDO-CHINA BOATS SOLD.

Four Indo-China, two Australian and Oriental Line and, one B.I. make up the seven vessels sold in Shanghai during the last week or two, through Mr. M. L. Justesen, a shipbroker. All the buyers are said to be Chinese, but the prices have not been divulged. Mr. H. Herlofson, also of Shanghai, is reported to have put through the sale to Chinese interests of a Norwegian ship plying in the Far East.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., in accordance with their declared policy of replacing old tonnage as and when convenient, are stated by the "North-China Daily News" to have disposed of the "Teang," "Wosung," "Taksang," and "Loksum," all built in Glasgow.

The Australian and Oriental Line's "Changpho" and "Tuyuan" owned by Messrs. Yuill & Co. are being replaced by the new "Changpho" and "Tuyuan" as reported yesterday's "China Mail." The two old vessels will be replaced by the new ones.

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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

ALL THE NEW RULES TO BE OBSERVED.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

A local sporting writer having pointed out that the referee of a "friendly" football match last Friday had ignored the new rule regarding off-side, the "China Mail" sought Mr. W. E. Hollands, honorary secretary to the Hongkong Football Association, for an official statement.

Mr. Hollands remarked that little importance was attached to a practice match but all the reforms in football laws would have to be observed for the season proper, the league, shield and official competitions.

Such changes, of course, refer to the throw-in and off-side. The latest news on the subject from Home papers is given elsewhere in this page.

In reply to a further question, Mr. Hollands said that referees would, automatically, be cognisant of the changes in the rules. No proposal had been made to circulate referees as they would make it their business to know. Mr. Hollands also explained that a referee, once registered, did not have to sit for an examination before each season. If changes had been made by the Home authorities, those who would take charge of games here will be expected to adjudicate accordingly. Accordingly, "official" matches this season will be played under the amended laws.

BIG LEAGUES.

LEADING U.S. BALL BATSMEN.

THIS SPEAKER ON TOP.

Tris Speaker is now the leading swatter in the major league, says the "China Press" (Shanghai) of September 13, with a batting average of .388, three points higher than Rogers Hornsby, who leads the National circuit with a percentage of .385.

Next in order come Simmons and Cobb, who are tied for second in the American League with percentage of .379. Bottomley is second among the National batters, with .377.

The first five batters in each league are as follows:

National League.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Hornsby, St. Louis	434	187	.385
Batton, St. Louis	523	187	.377
Fournier, Brooklyn	452	184	.363
Cuyler, Pittsburgh	511	182	.356
Harper, Philadelphia	406	144	.355

American League.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Speaker, Cleveland	428	166	.388
Simmons, Philadelphia	515	166	.379
Cobb, Detroit	387	139	.379
Heilmann, Detroit	463	166	.370
Rice, St. Louis	336	121	.367

SPORT FILL UP.

Altogether, the footballers sent out by the English F.A. to tour Australia, played 23 games. They won all 23, and scored 128 goals against 11.

OFF-SIDE LAW.

HOME REFEREES QUITE PLEASED.

KRENER VIGILANCE CAPABLE.

After discussing the new off-side law in football, a Home sports writer says (in mail week):

"There was agreement that the alteration was a complete success. The referees declared that they found their work to be much simpler. The strain of watching for off-side infringements was greatly lessened, and, as a consequence, they felt themselves capable of exercising a keener vigilance all over."

Certain teams have benefited by the new law to the extent of piling up unusual scores. Some people profess to see cause for fearing an undesirable glut of goals, but others consider that a proper balance will be obtained with a little experience of the new conditions."

WATER POLO.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES AT V.R.C.

At the V.R.C. bath yesterday, two more matches were played in the Water Polo League, results being as under:

H.M.S. "Carleton" beat H.M.S. "Ambrose" by 2 goals to nil.
Kowloon British School (Former Pupils' Association) ("B" team) beat Hongkong Electric Co. by 1 goal to nil.

HOME SOCCER.

SUNDERLAND FAIL TO SCORE.

TOTTENHAM'S REVENGE.

Two more clubs lose their record of "no defeat" so far in the Home football season, these being Sunderland in the first division and Northampton in the third division (south).

The only clubs that have not tasted defeat this season are:

Div. I. Huddersfield (league champions).
Div. II. Chelsea.
Div. III. (South). Reading.
Div. III. (North). Rochdale.
Scottish League.

Rangers move to the top of the table as the result of their away victory.

The "Spurs" after losing in London to Cardiff, have now taken their revenge.

Results and the table to date follow:

(Reuters Service.)

London, Sept. 21.
Results of football matches played to-day (home team given first) are as follows:

Division I.			
Arsenal	3	West Ham	2
Birmingham	3	Everton	1
Blackburn	3	Sunderland	0
Cardiff	0	Tottenham	1
Notts C.	0	Burnley	1

Division II.			
Wednesday	6	Stockport	2
Swansea	6	Fulham	0

Division III (South).			
Aberdare	1	Northants	0

Division III (North).			
Lincoln	2	Chesterfield	1

Scottish League.			
Hearts	4	Aberdeen	0
Hibernians	0	Rangers	2

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Tottenham	8	5	2	1	16	12	2
Huddersfield	6	3	3	0	15	11	9
Leeds	7	4	1	2	13	7	9
West Ham	7	4	1	2	11	9	9
Arsenal	7	3	3	1	10	8	9
Bolton W.	8	3	2	3	15	13	8
Sunderland	5	4	0	1	20	9	8
Everton	8	1	5	2	16	13	7
Aston Villa	6	2	3	1	10	7	7
Notts County	7	3	1	3	8	9	7
Burnley	8	2	3	3	10	17	7
Birmingham	8	3	1	4	11	12	7
Newcastle U.	6	2	2	2	24	18	6
Manch. U.	7	2	2	3	9	12	6
Liverpool	5	2	2	1	9	6	6
Cardiff City	7	2	1	4	8	11	5
Blackburn	7	2	1	4	15	14	5
West Brom.	5	1	2	2	6	12	4
Bury	4	2	0	2	5	9	4
Sheff. Wed.	5	1	2	2	8	9	4
Leicester	7	1	1	5	10	17	3
Sheff. U.	6	0	2	4	10	18	2

DIVISION II.

						Goals	
P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.	
6	5	1	0	18	4	11	

Reading	7	5	0	2	18	11	10
Watford	7	5	0	2	18	11	10
Millwall	6	5	0	1	19	7	10
Northants	6	4	1	1	14	8	7
Plymouth	5	4	0	1	18	6	8
Brighton	5	4	0	1	17	9	8
Bristol R.	7	3	1	3	10	12	7
Newport	6	3	1	2	12	7	7
Norwich	7	3	1	3	8	10	7
Aberdare	7	3	1	3	11	11	7
Bristol C.	6	2	2	2	12	10	6
Bournemouth	6	2	2	2	8	10	6
Swindon	7	2	0	4	10	14	5
Exeter	6	2	0	3	8	8	4
Merthyr	6	2	0	3	8	8	4
Gillingham	6	2	1	3	10	9	4
Leeds	7	2	1	4	10	14	3
Southend	7	2	0	4	11	20	3
Charlton	6	1	1	3	2	14	3
O.P.F.	6	1	1	3	2	14	3
Brentford	6	0	0	1	3	21	1
Crystal P.	5	0	0	1	5	15	1

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Watford	7	2	0	5	9	18	4	Li
Millwall	7	1	1	5	8	12	3	W
Northants	6	0	3	3	3	12	3	Cc
Plymouth	5	1	1	3	3	11	3	N.

Southampton.	6	1	1	5	7	13	3
Blackport.	7	1	0	6	6	13	3
Blackpool	7	1	0	4	4	18	2
Blackburn	5	1	0	4	6	11	2
Blackburn	6	1	0	5	3	18	2

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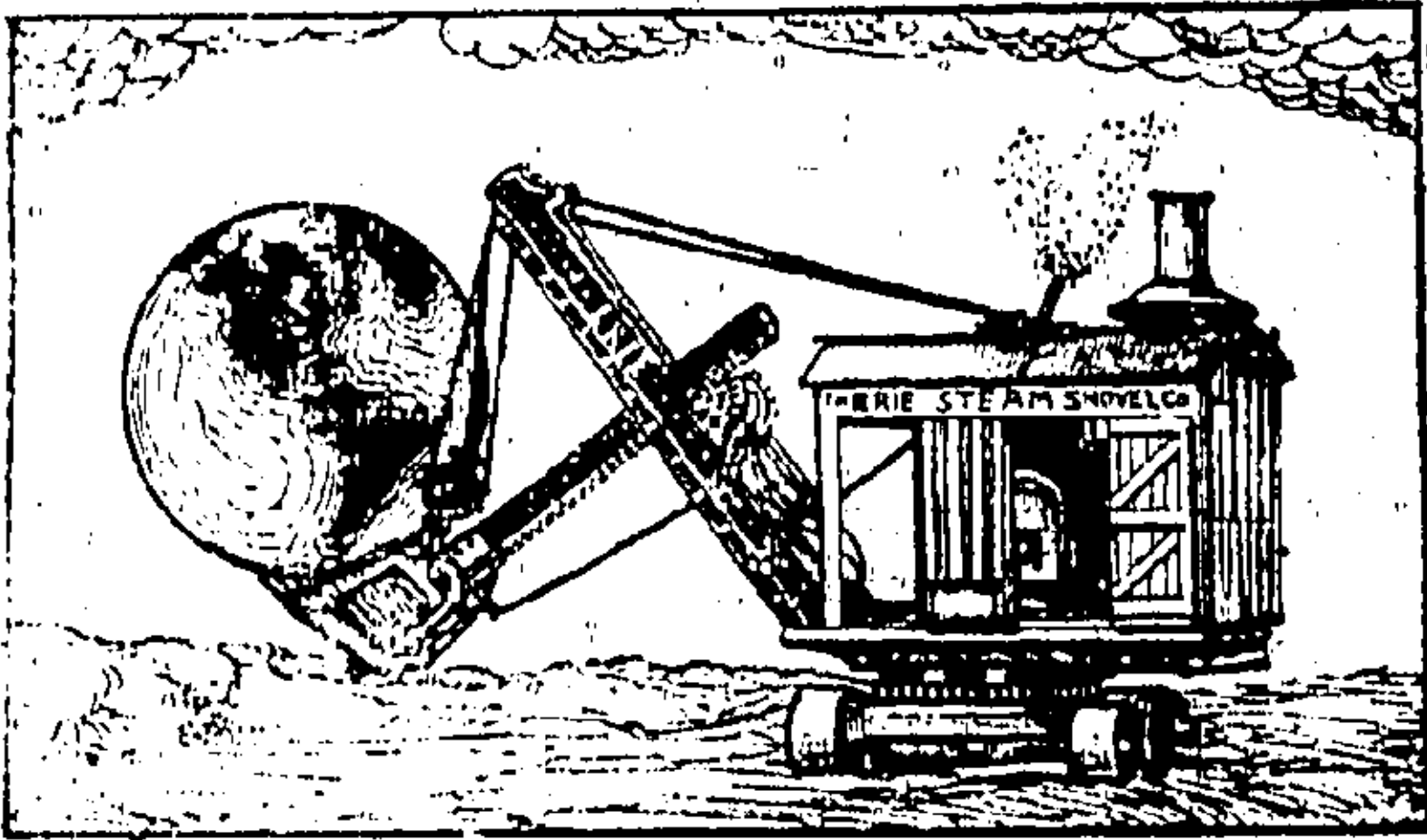
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Mrs. Hilda Betty Cook, after her husband was granted a divorce in Toronto, fled to Reno with her baby, Shirley, precipitating an international legal battle.



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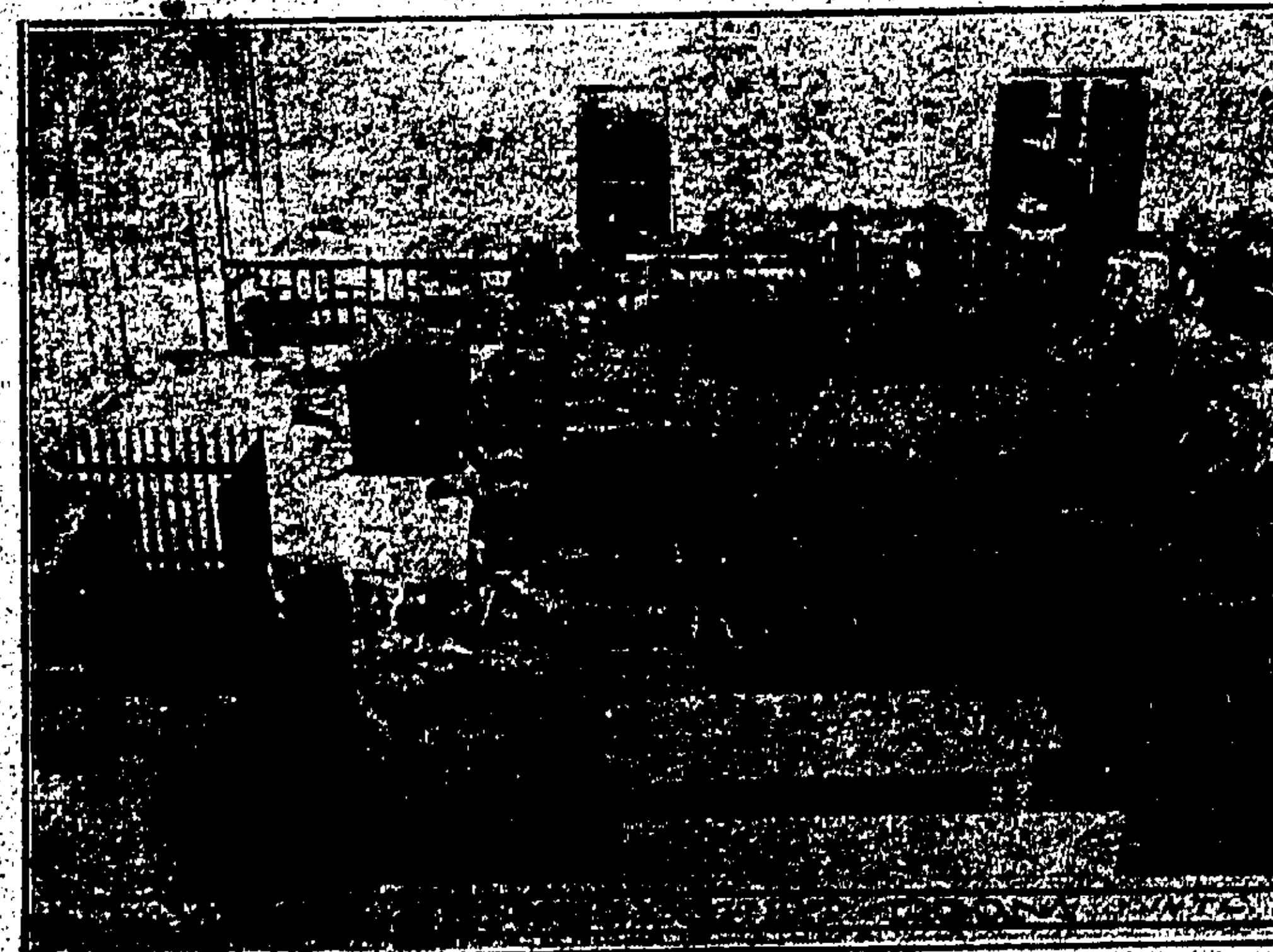
The police charge that Frank Dottinger "bought" Mrs. Fritz Willenauer, from her husband for \$500, and that after payment was made the woman deserted Dottinger.



President and Mrs. Coolidge are shown leaving the Technology Building at Cambridge, Massachusetts after witnessing an impressive pageant commemorating the 160th anniversary of Washington's acceptance of the command of the revolutionary army.



Kathryn de Nooney, disguised as a man, slipped into the death chamber of the county jail to witness the hanging of Willie Sams, policeman's alibi, "for a thrill." Her sex was not revealed until a "hate-off" order, when it was too late to remove her without a disturbance.



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ODDS AND ENDS

The First Wendy.

When a week or two ago I wrote, in some notes on the late Mrs. W. E. Henley, of Henley's consuming affection for his only daughter, I was unaware that "little Margaret Wendy of Sir James Barrie's 'Peter Pan' (says 'T. P.' in 'T. P.'s and Cassell's Weekly.') Sir James was, of course, one of 'Henley's young men' in the days of the 'National Observer,' and like everybody who visited Henley's home he fell completely under the spell of 'the Empress'—a title bestowed on Margaret by her father. Little Margaret died before she was six, and was buried in the churchyard of Cockayne Hatley, in Bedfordshire, where her father, who survived her by a decade, was laid to rest beside her.

The Dandy Cart.

Before the advent of the locomotive engine, the minds of engineers were constantly engaged on the problem of drawing waggon along tracks or railways, and a favourite device adopted for assisting horse traction was the "Dandy" cart, an example of which will be shown at the forthcoming Railway Centenary celebrations this summer. This was a kind of bogie or light truck upon four wheels which was attached to the last waggon. The object of the truck was to enable the horse to haul the train by riding, instead of trotting in the rear of the load of waggon, down the many downward "rims" on the line. It was at first called a "horse waggon," a "horse carriage," and a "horse truck," but these were soon superseded by the more popular ones of "Dandy cart," "Dandy waggon," "Dandy and Horse Dandy." "Dandy" was one of the stock epithets of 100 years ago. It was applied ironically to anything new and showy. Dandy carts were in use on the old Stockton and Darlington Railway, now a part of the L.N.E.R. Previous to the introduction of the Dandy cart, the horses were much shaken in following the waggon down the hills and more fatigued by running after the trucks than by going the same distance at the same rate with a load. An old record tells us that "The horse was not long in learning how to get on to the Dandy cart, even when it was in motion, after he had once grasped the agreeable fact that there was a basket of hay at the end of it. When unhitched near the downward run, he would allow the waggon to pass, and trotting after the train, leap on to the low truck of his own accord, performing a feat not only without urging, but on the contrary with so much eagerness, as to render it difficult to keep him off. As if conscious of his position on the truck was not without danger in the event of a sudden stop, he prepared for such a contingency by resting continuously on his haunches." The account goes on to say that at the bottom of the run he would get down of his own accord as nimbly as he got on and resume pulling with fresh vigour, but as to this we are a little in doubt. When the men were asked if the horses liked this sort of treatment, the reply was that "they fairly laughed again." "You would hardly believe it," one of the men is reported to have said, "but one day when I had the Dandy this horse was trying to get into a coal waggon." Before the introduction of the Dandy cart a horse travelled some 174 miles during a week. After the Dandy cart came into use, the distance was increased to 240 miles and the horse was improved in condition. This curious mode of locomotion did not vanish from our railways until about 1864.

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The Duchess's Diary.

While the Duke and Duchess of York have been visiting East Africa, Her Royal Highness has kept a very detailed diary, setting down day by day all of importance or interest that has taken place (says a "Daily Chronicle" writer.) The intriguing report is now running around the Court that some portion of this volume may be published in book form when the little Duchess returns to England. If the travel diary of the Duchess of York is published it will without doubt, become a best seller, and such publication will be an interesting departure. The Duchess, however, will not be the first of our Royal ladies to write a book, for Queen Mary of Norway finished a novel some time ago. An earlier example is provided by the "Leaves from Our Life in the Highlands," written by the late Queen Victoria, and published many years ago.

Lord Curzon's Caller.

One of the first callers at Lord Curzon's house after his recent operation was the Belgian Ambassador who carried a special message from the King of the Belgians (reports the "Daily Chronicle.") King Albert and Queen Elizabeth count Lord Curzon as one of their chief friends, an intimate friendship which dates from the very first days of the Great War. Shortly after the outbreak of war Lord Curzon placed his country house, Hackwood, at the disposal of the Belgian Sovereigns who gladly availed themselves of his hospitality for their young children. For nearly four years the young Belgian princes and their sister lived in security under Lord Curzon's roof, while their country was occupied by German troops. The Queen of the Belgians used frequently to come over by aeroplane and spend a couple of days with her family, whenever she could be spared from her hospital at La Panne.

"Cancer Houses."

Important researches, that may revolutionize our conception of the causes and prevention of cancer have been made by Dr. Louis Western, Sanborn, Lecturer in the London School of Tropical Medicine. Dr. Sanborn claims that cancer is a parasitic disease which is preventable by stamping out the carriers of the parasite. Worms of various kinds seem to be very important factors in the causation of cancer. They prepare the soil for the true cancer germ, they determine the particular location of the disease, and they account for its lesser or greater prevalence in a given district. Dr. Sanborn points out that if certain parasitic worms are instrumental in producing cancer in man and animals, the prevention of cancer is well within our reach. "Cancer houses," so long disputed, he has found to be realities, not only abroad but also in Britain. In one of these had occurred five cases of cancer in different families which had inhabited the house within a short period.

What's in a Name?

That irrepressible joker, Mr. D. B. Wyndham Lewis, wants to know the exact significance of the "M." in Ethel M. Dell (says "Mr. Curdle" in "John O'London's Weekly.") Miss Dell might ask what is the exact significance, if any, of "D. B." How many could give the meaning of the initial straight off in the cast of all the following names: William H. Ainsworth, Percy B. Shelley, Elizabeth B. Browning, Cecil J. Rhodes, Samuel T. Coleridge, Richard H. Barham, Felicia D. Hemans, Elizabeth C. Gaskell, Charlotte M. Yonge, Harriet B. Stowe, Adelaide A. Proctor, Henry W. Longfellow, Tobias G. Smollett, Edward B. Pusey, Leo N. Tolstoy, John G. Whittier, John E. Millais, John P. Curran, Edward B. Lytton, Arthur S. Sullivan, George G. Byron, John S. Bach, George F. Handel, Charles R. Darwin, and Charles H. Spurgeon? Makes them all sound like Americans, doesn't it? But here is a good after-dinner competition.

The Prettiest Dance Club.

The prettiest dance club in London to which I have been, has walls which are painted in a French grey colour, which gradually shades into a beautiful blue (writes "Gadabout" in the "Daily Chronicle.") There are pink settees, and the rose-tinted lights are hung among the branches of silver-leaved bushes, while towards the centre a great tree spreads its silver branches against the pale blue ceiling.

A Temple Memento.

They are spring-cleaning in the Temple. As I passed from Crown Office Row into King's Bench Walk I caught a glimpse of sign-writers touching up the names in doorways. (says a "Daily News" writer.) In Paper Building "Mr. H. H. Asquith" was being transformed into "The Earl of Oxford and Asquith." Below that of his father's was the name of poor Raymond Asquith, looking as if it, too, had just been newly lettered.

Where Prince Henry Spends His Holiday.

Hélanthe, where Prince Henry has recently been staying, is a great white building standing high above the Côte des Basques, at the southern end of Biarritz (says a London "Evening News" writer.) It is noted for various treatments, including sun-baths and sun-ray treatment. From the flat roof where are the cabins for the sun treatment a wonderful view is obtained of the Pyrenees, mauve blue and misty purple, stretching away into the north coast of Spain. Below paths descend in zigzag fashion among the lamarkian-grown terraces to the sea and the new bathing places. On the peak to the right, leading to the popular Port-Vieux bathing enclosure, is the famous Maison Basque, with its delicious Russian cookery and its remarkable assortment of hors d'œuvre. Hélanthe—the word, you remember, means sunflower—is an hotel as well as a hydropathic establishment. A rest cure often accompanies the other cures. One little detail I recall in this connection could quite easily be adopted in many hotels. It is that of having different coloured signalling lights outside each bedroom door when one wants chambermaid, waitress, or valet. Thus the continual single, double, or triple ring for servants—which can "get on the nerves" so much—is avoided.

The Immensity of Space.

One of the finest of the spiral nebulae in the heavens is that known as the Great Nebula in Andromeda, which on moonless nights is plainly visible to the naked eye and quite a fine object in a good pair of binoculars. Many attempts have been made to determine its distance, and a recent measurement by an American astronomer is reported in the last issue of Popular Astronomy. According to this, the nebula is probably at least 250,000 light years from the earth—that is, the light from it takes that enormous period to traverse the gulf separating us, and light moves at 300,000 kilometers a second. A light year—the distance light moves in one year—is 5,890,348,500,000 miles, so that the distance of the Andromeda Nebula is 5,586,000,000,000,000 miles (approximately five and a half million.) Some years ago a new star appeared in the Andromeda Nebula, which, when brightest, was about the seventh magnitude, too faint to be seen with the naked eye. It remained at the seventh magnitude only a few days, and then slowly faded away, being of the sixteenth magnitude, barely visible in the biggest telescopes, six months later. But not even the Andromeda Nebula marks, it is believed the boundary of the universe, if there is a boundary, for by similar refined methods a distance of 1,000,000 light years has been calculated for another nebula, which would place it 90,000 billion miles more distant than that in Andromeda.—"Observer."



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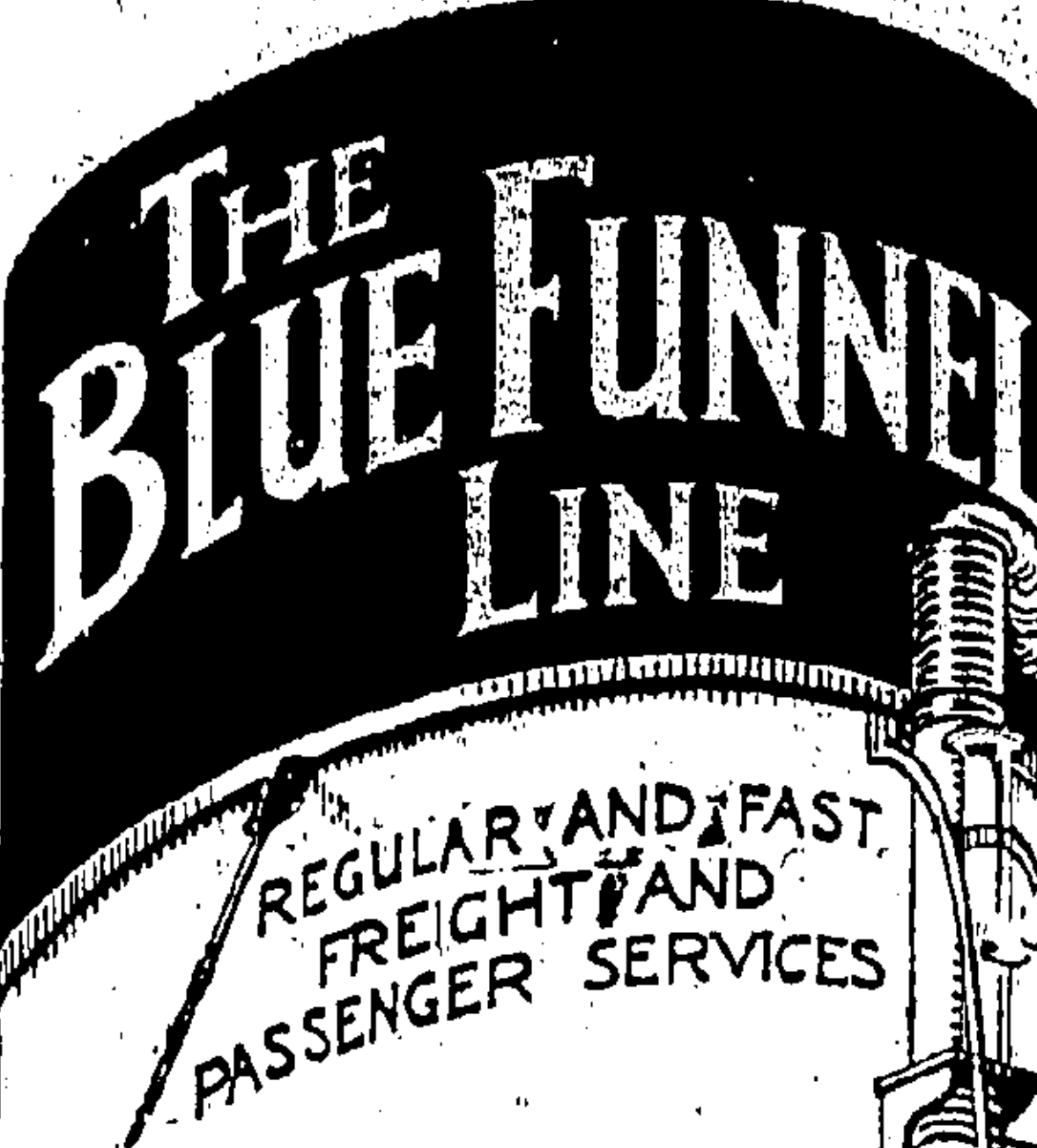
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- (2) That the draft Agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between this Company and the Liquidator of the one part and China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Limited, of the other part be hereby approved and that the said Liquidator be hereby authorised pursuant to Section 185 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to enter into an Agreement with China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Limited, in the terms of the said draft and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on **SATURDAY, the 17th day of October, 1925, at noon** for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of considering and, if thought fit, passing as Extraordinary Resolutions the following Resolutions, namely:—

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- (1) That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$6,000,000 consisting of 800,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10 each of which 598,247 have been issued) be increased to \$7,500,000 by the creation of 150,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.
- (2) That it is desirable to effect an amalgamation of the Company with the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, and that accordingly the draft Agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between that Company and its Liquidator of the one part and this Company of the other part be hereby approved and that the General Managers of this Company be authorised pursuant to Section 185 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to enter into an Agreement with that Company and its Liquidator in the terms of the said draft and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as they think expedient.

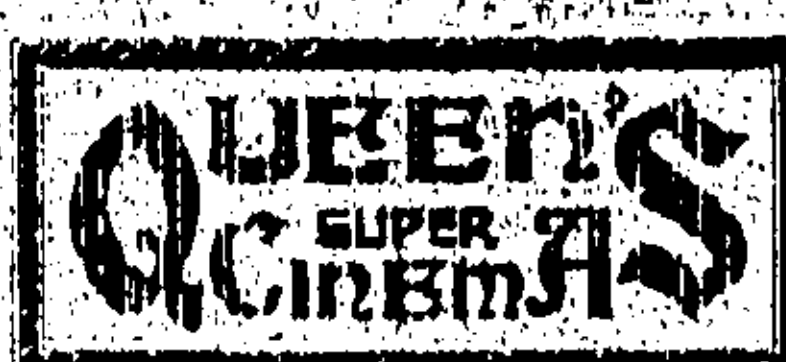
- (3) That the General Managers be at liberty to allot to the Liquidator of the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, or his nominee three of the \$10 shares of this Company (credited as fully paid up) in respect of every five of the issued \$10 shares in that Company credited as paid up to the extent of \$6) and also for the convenience of the said Liquidator to issue such fractional certificates as the said Liquidator shall think necessary or desirable to enable him to divide the said shares in this Company in due proportions among the persons entitled to them.
- (4) That the shares so allotted to the Liquidator of the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, shall rank for dividend and bonus as from the 1st day of January, 1926, and that fractional certificates shall confer no right to dividend.
- (5) That such shares if any in this Company as shall be so offered as aforesaid and decline (but not the remainder of the new shares of this Company created by the first preceding resolution) be disposed of in such manner as such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's General Managers shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the said offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company, on Saturday, the 10th day of October, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of considering and, if thought fit, passing as Extraordinary Resolutions the following Resolutions, namely:—

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